

Brand Guidelines for **Print**

kidcentral tn Brand User Guide

Under the leadership of the Governor and First Lady, the Children's Cabinet is launching a unified communications plan for Tennessee families, which will align under the brand identity **kidcentral tn**. As a tool for state departments using the **kidcentral tn** brand, print and collateral templates will be created and used for all state communications for families. The goal of the templates is to create a consistent look and unified messaging for all state communications for families and intermediary resources, making it easier for them to recognize, receive and retain the information they need.

New Materials

As of July 1, 2013, the **kidcentral tn** brand must be applied to all materials (brochures, flyers, postcards, etc.) from your department that are meant for distribution to parents, families, children or professionals who work directly with children and families with children.

Existing Materials

For materials that have already been produced, continue using what you have in stock. When those materials need to be reproduced or reprinted, you must apply the **kidcentral tn** brand to those materials.

Non-Family Audience

For materials about children or families with children, but where the audience is not parents, families,

children or professionals working directly with children or families with children, you must at least place the **kidcentral tn** logo on the material. You may apply the full **kidcentral tn** brand if you choose.

Contractors

Contractors who develop materials on behalf of your department for distribution to parents, families, children or professionals working directly with children or families with children should be instructed to at least place the **kidcentral tn** logo on those materials. They may be instructed to apply the full **kidcentral tn** brand if you choose.

Questions?

If you have any questions about whether the full **kidcentral tn** brand should be applied to a specific piece of material, please contact your department's communications director. The Printing and Media Services Division within the Department of General Services can help answer technical questions about how to use the templates.

Note: The **kidcentral tn** brand should not be applied to department correspondence with providers or intermediary resources where the subject is purely administrative, such as correspondence about contracts, rules, regulations or enforcement.

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About the Brand

kidcentraltn.com is a one-stop resource for Tennessee families to raise healthy and happy kids. Families using **kidcentral tn** can learn about and locate helpful programs, read about popular parenting topics, and even receive important milestones for Tennessee children.

This is a guide to uphold the **kidcentral tn** brand in all forms of print. It will ensure the brand is always presented in a professional and positive light. So, take a look and learn all the ins and outs of the **kidcentral tn** brand.

If you need help, the templates starting on page 27 are very easy to use. If you have any questions or run into any issues, contact the Printing and Media Services Division at printing.services@tn.gov or (615) 741-1726.

Our Brand Voice

Keep it positive, upbeat and, most of all, helpful. We want people to feel comfortable getting information from kidcentral tn.

To do this, always use a friendly and conversational tone. Remember who the audience is and never use a corporate voice.

Below are good and bad examples of our brand voice.

Good Headline

Promoting exercise will make your kids happy and healthy.

Bad Headline

It's bad for your kids when they don't exercise.

Primary Brand Elements

If you're ever confused about how to display our brand, look no further than this section. These main elements will always keep you on the right track.

Our Name

Follow these simple rules when referring to **kidcentral tn** in press releases, articles or other written material.

Here are some of the do's and don'ts when it comes to referring to kidcentral tn.

- kidcentral is one word.
- kidcentral is followed by tn, with a space between.
- kidcentral tn is never capitalized or italicized.
- Bold kidcentral tn when using in a paragraph.
- Write a link to the website like this: kidcentraltn.com
- When describing kidcentral tn, refer to it as the kidcentral tn brand.

kidcentral tn





Our Logo for Print

This is the correct logo for everything related to print.

Here are some of the do's and don'ts when it comes to our logo for print.

- This logo is used exclusively for print.
- This logo should not be printed any smaller than 1.25" across.



Our Secondary Logo

This is a stacked variation of the logo you can use that puts more emphasis on the building block.

Here are some of the do's and don'ts when it comes to our secondary logo.

- This logo is secondary and should be used only when space is limited.
- It should not be printed any smaller than 1.25" across.



Our Logo Inverted

This is how the logo should look when inverted and put on a solid background.

 Invert logo when it's on a solid background that is one of the three primary brand colors or solid black.





Our Logo in Black

This is how the logo should look when in black and placed on a white background.

 Use the black logo on black-and-white collateral or for embroidery.





Logo Do's

Here are some of the do's when it comes to our logo.



DO give our logo some space.





DO incorporate our primary brand colors when dealing with the inverted version.



Logo Don'ts

Here are some of the don'ts when it comes to our logo.

















Primary Brand Colors

Our primary brand colors are used throughout all pieces, helping to reinforce the brand, as well as keeping everything cohesive. Primary colors will be used for callouts, headlines and other general uses.



Primary Typography

The Arial font family is our primary font. It's used for all headlines, subheads, body copy and callouts.



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Secondary Brand Elements

These secondary elements will help you to expand upon the look of the brand. This section will guide you through how to use the identification system, photography, illustrations and dual branding.

Identification System

Each category of **kidcentral tn** has been assigned a letter and color to make it easy to recognize.



Categories Working Together

Consider the main category and subcategory of your content and use the corresponding blocks and colors. The main category block will come first, followed by the subcategory blocks.

 To see how this is used in brochures, posters and flyers, refer to the templates starting on page 27.



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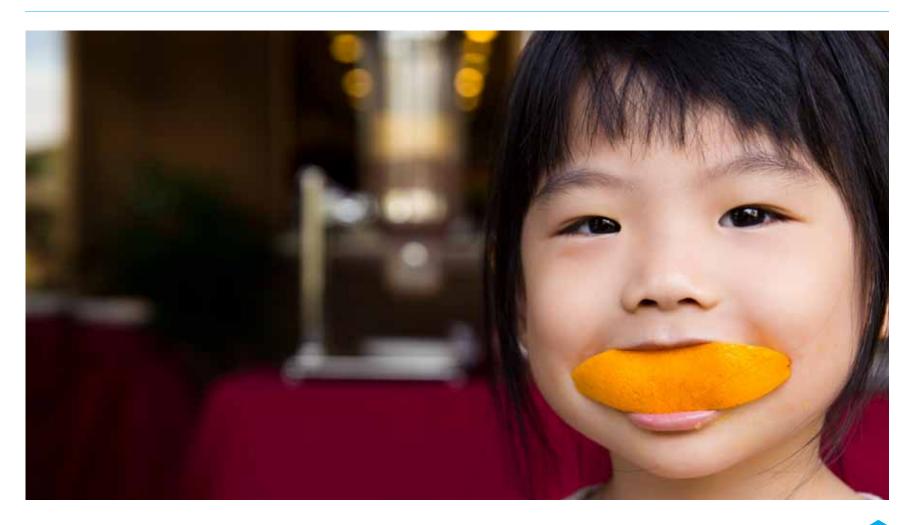
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Our Photography

Photography should be bright and colorful, focusing on happy kids or families.



Photography Do's

The most important photography do is only use photography that is either purchased through the Printing and Media Services Division or taken by a state photographer. When in doubt, ask the Printing and Media Services Division.



DO consider subject matter that is racially diverse.



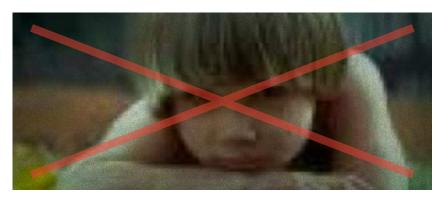
DO select product photography on clean, minimalist backgrounds.



DO use brightly lit photos with engaged subject matter.

Photography Don'ts

Here are some of the don'ts when it comes to photography.







DON'T awkwardly crop photography.



DON'T warp or squish photography.



DON'T utilize photos that are unpleasant.

Our Illustrations

Only use illustrations that are a part of the **kidcentral tn** library. Illustrations can be used with copy or alongside corresponding headlines. Never stretch or change the color of an illustration.



Authorization Statement Graphic

It is mandatory to place the Authorization Statement graphic on almost all publications from state departments.

What to do

- All Authorization Statements will be included in the templates, with final information being completed by the Printing and Media Services Division.
- If you have any questions, contact the Printing and Media Services Division at printing.services@tn.gov or (615) 741-1726.



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Authorization Statement Graphic 24

Dual-Branded Programs

For collateral that is already branded with another department or program and also needs to include some kind of **kidcentral tn** branding, follow one of the two options below.

- This lockup will be featured on the front of a print piece.
- Use the existing brand's logo with the **kidcentral tn** logo (either the standard logo or the stacked version is acceptable). Always give both logos equal emphasis.



existing program logo





• This lockup can also include several secondary logos.



logo



logo

How to Use Templates

This section will help to apply the brand elements to all templates for print.

Starting a New Print Project

When starting a new print project, you have two options to help you get started.

- 1. Download template.

 Download the templates on the intranet here.
- 2. Ask the Printing and Media Services Division to help. Contact Richard Martin at (615) 741-8187.

Changing Over to the New Templates

This page will show how quick and simple it is to transition your previous designs into the easy new templates.





Brochures (cover and back)

There are three brochure options: bi-fold, tri-fold and quad-fold. Following these templates will make it easy to create a branded brochure.

The first category block dictates the color of all headlines, subheads and callouts.

- 1. Photography follows brand guidelines.
- 2. Headlines are in Arial Bold, 23 pt.

We suggest headlines answer the question, "How does the subject matter of this brochure help my audience?"

3. Subheads are in Arial Regular, 12 pt.

We suggest subheads answer the question, "How can my audience obtain this service or information?"

- 4. Department callouts are in Arial Bold, 10 pt.
- Back panel of brochure always has kidcentral tn logo and Authorization Statement.

Never move anything in this lockup; just replace images.

Download this template from the intranet here.





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Brochures (interior)

There are three brochure options: bi-fold, tri-fold and quad-fold. Following these templates will make it easy to create a branded brochure.

Quad-Fold Brochure.

 Subheads are in Arial Bold, 12 pt.

2. Body copy is in Arial Regular, 10.5 pt., in gray.

- Interior photography follows brand guidelines.
- **4.** Callouts are in Arial Bold, 20 pt.

Download this template from the intranet here. Subhead style is in Arial Bold

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Bi-Fold Brochure

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Tri-Fold Brochure



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Legal-Sized Poster

This poster size is 8.5" x 14". There are two options: color or black-and-white.

The first category block dictates the color of all headlines, subtitles, subheads and callouts.

- 1. Photography follows brand guidelines. If you want your photography to be black-and-white, inform the Printing and Media Services Division.
- 2. Headlines are in Arial Bold, 30 pt.

We suggest headlines answer the question, "How does the subject matter of this poster help my audience?"

3. Subheads are in Arial Bold, 20 pt.

We suggest subheads answer the question, "How can my audience obtain this service or information?"

- 4. Body copy subheads are in Arial Bold, 13 pt.
- 5. Body copy is in Arial Regular, 14 pt., in gray.
- **6.** Bottom of poster always has **kidcentral tn** logo with dualbranding treatment.

Never move anything in this lockup; just replace images.

Download this template from the intranet <u>here</u>.



Legal-Sized Poster 31

Tabloid-Sized Poster

This poster size is 11" x 17". There are two options: color or black-and-white. Posters any larger will have to be produced outside of the Printing and Media Services Division.

The first category block dictates the color of all headlines, subheads and callouts.

- 1. Photography follows brand guidelines. If you want your photography to be black-and-white, inform the Printing and Media Services Division.
- 2. Headlines are in Arial Bold, 45 pt.

We suggest headlines answer the question, "How does the subject matter of this poster help my audience?"

3. Subheads are in Arial Bold, 25 pt.

We suggest subheads answer the question, "How can my audience obtain this service or information?"

- 4. Body copy subheads are in Arial Bold, 13 pt.
- 5. Body copy is in Arial Regular, 15 pt., in gray.
- **6.** Bottom of poster always has **kidcentral tn** logo with dual-branding treatment.

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Tabloid-Sized Poster 32

Letter-Sized Flyer

There are two size options: 5.5" x 8.5" and 8.5" x 11".

The first category block dictates the color of all headlines, subheads and callouts.

1. Headlines are in Arial Bold, 30 pt.

We suggest headlines answer the question, "How does the subject matter of this flyer help my audience?"

2. Subheads are in Arial Regular, 20 pt.

We suggest subheads answer the question, "How can my audience obtain this service or information?"

- **3.** Photography follows brand guidelines. If you want your photography to be black-and-white, inform the Printing and Media Services Division.
- 4. Body copy subheads are in Arial Bold, 13 pt.
- 5. Body copy is in Arial Regular, 11 pt., in gray.
- **6.** Bottom of flyer always has **kidcentral tn** logo with dual-branding treatment.

Never move anything in this lockup; just replace images.

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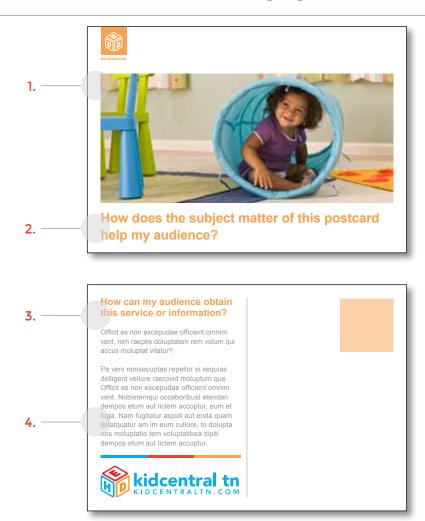
Letter-Sized Flyer

Postcards

Postcards are $6" \times 4.25"$, both horizontal and vertical, with areas on the front for headlines and on the back for messaging.

- 1. Photography follows brand guidelines.
- 2. Headlines are in Arial Bold, 18 pt.
- 3. Subheads on back are in Arial Bold, 13 pt.
- 4. Body copy is in Arial Regular, 9.5 pt, in gray.

Download this template from the intranet here.





Cover Page for Reports

A cover page will be used for all reports. There are options for each category combination.

- 1. Title is in Arial Bold, 40 pt.
- 2. Subtitle is in Arial Regular, 30 pt.
- 3. Date is in Arial Regular, 20 pt.

Download this template **here**.

